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(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).) 10/809.675-Conf. #8433 March 25, 2004 Application Number Filed METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF OSTEOARTHRITIS RELATED GENE TRANSCRIPTS IN BLOOD Art Unit 1634 Examiner J. C. Switzer This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): Fee Small Entity Fee One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$120 \$60 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$450 \$225 Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1020 \$510 Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$1590 \$795 795.00 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$1080 \$2160 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 04-1105 . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. I am the applicant/inventor. assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 34,380 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 Amy DeCloux 5464 January 19, 2007 Signature Date Kathleen Williams (617) 439-4444 Typed or printed name Telephone Number NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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